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SUBJ: EMBARGO STATUS OF POTASSIUM NITRATE - IML 8

EXCON

REF: A. COCOM DOC (73) DEF. ML.8/11

1. ALL DELEGATIONS (EXCEPT GERMAN WHO WAS WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS, AND ITALIAN WHO ACCEPTED AD REF) APPROVED US PROPOSAL OR JOINED MAJORITY.

2. JAPANESE SUGGESTED, WITHOUT PRESSING, THAT NEW TERMINOLOGY FOR "POTASSIUM NITRATE POWDERS COMPOSITED ..." ALSO BE ADDED TO PARA 4 OF ML8 SOU IN ORDER TO PERMIT "REASONABLE QUANTITY" EXPORTS. US DEL RESPONDED THAT IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT TRULY COMMERCIAL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN SERVED BY REMOVING POTASSIUM NITRATE PER SE FROM IML 8 COVERAGE, AND THAT REASONABLE EXPORTS OF POTASSIUM NITRATE BLACK POWDER REMAINED POSSIBLE. HE DID NOT BELIEVE THAT THERE WAS COMMERCIAL, I. E. CIVILIAN RELATED, USAGE OF "COMPOSITED" POWDERS.

3. MATTER RESCHEDULED FOR JULY 10 TO HEAR GERMAN VIEWS AND ITALIAN CONFIRMATION OF AD REF.

4. PLEASE CORRECT OR CONFIRM USDEL COMMENTS ON JAPANESE SUG-
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GESTION. IS SUGGESTION ACCEPTABLE TO US?.

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